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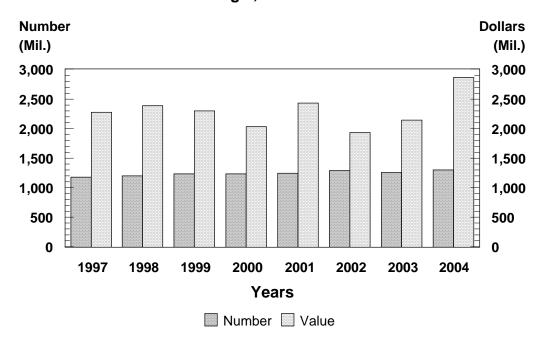
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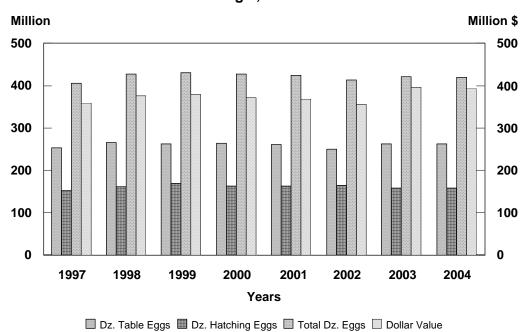
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GEORGIA POULTRY HIGHLIGHTS

2004 FARM VALUE OF PRODUCTION^{1/}

All Poultry and Eggs	. \$3,259,971,000
Broilers	. \$2,857,580,000
Eggs	\$394,223,000
Chickens*	\$ 8,168,000

2004 -- GEORGIA NATIONAL RANK

First	Broilers Value of Production
Third	Chickens Value of Sales
First	Broilers Produced
Second	Eggs Value of Production
Second	All Poultry Value of Production
Second C	hickens Sold (excludes broilers)
Sixth	Eggs Produced

SUMMARY--2004

The total farm value of poultry and eggs produced in Georgia increased 28 percent to \$3.26 billion for the 2004 production year. Value of production from broilers totaled \$2.86 billion, up 33 percent from 2003. The value of production for all eggs was \$394 million, down slightly from 2003. The sale of chickens excluding broilers totaled 15.7 million birds with a value of sales of \$8.2 million.

BROILER PRODUCTION

For the twenty-first consecutive year, Georgia has been the leader in broiler production with 1.30 billion birds in 2004. Production increased 3 percent from 1.26 billion broilers produced in 2003. Pounds produced in 2004 totaled 6.49 billion. The average price received per pound for broilers in 2004 was 44.0 cents per pound, up 10.0 cents from the 2003 average price. Georgia ranked first in the number of broilers produced and accounted for 15 percent of the number and 14 percent of pounds of the Nation's broiler production in 2004. For the tenth consecutive year, Georgia ranked number one in the Nation in value of broiler production.

EGG PRODUCTION

Egg production in Georgia for the year ending November 30, 2004, totaled 5.04 billion eggs, slightly less than in 2003. The number of layers averaged 20.3 million in 2004, 1 percent less than the previous year. In hatching egg flocks, the average number of layers was down 2 percent, to 9.05 million from 9.22 million in 2003. The average number of layers in table egg flocks was 11.3 million in 2004. All layers in Georgia produced an average of 248 eggs per hen in 2004, 1 egg more than 2003's average of 247. Hatching egg flocks produced 2.04 billion eggs during 2004, 1 percent less than the previous year. Table egg flocks produced 3.00 billion eggs in 2004, slightly more than 2003. The average price for all eggs in 2004 was 93.9 cents per dozen, .2 cents less than the previous year. Table egg prices averaged 55.8 cents per dozen, down .1 cents from the previous year. Hatching egg prices averaged \$1.57 per dozen, up slightly from the previous year. Georgia's total egg production was 60 percent table eggs and 40 percent hatching eggs. Georgia ranked sixth in the Nation in 2004 in both the average number of layers and in total egg production. Iowa was the leading State in both layers and egg production followed by Ohio.

^{1/} Value of production is quantity produced multiplied by the price per unit.

^{*} Value of sales for chickens is quantity sold multiplied by the price per unit.

POULTRY--VALUE OF PRODUCTION, GEORGIA, 1999-2004^{1/}

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
	Thousand Dollars						
Commercial Broilers	2,293,445	2,029,005	2,432,235	1,935,750	2,142,850	2,857,580	
Mature Chickens,							
Hatching Egg Flocks	16,940	20,898	11,380	10,329	7,713	8,013	
Table Egg Flocks	140	188	104	93	93	155	
All Chickens,							
Including Commercial Broilers	2,310,525	2,050,091	2,443,719	1,946,172	2,150,656	2,865,748	
Eggs	379,142	369,913	367,887	355,968	395,769	394,223	
All Poultry	2,689,667	2,420,004	2,811,606	2,302,140	2,546,425	3,259,971	

^{1/} The production year begins Dec 1 previous year and ends Nov 30 current year.

POULTRY--PRODUCTION, SALES AND VALUE, GEORGIA, 1997-2004¹¹

POULTRYPRODUCTION, SALES AND VALUE, GEORGIA, 1997-2004										
	Unit	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
Commercial Broilers										
Number Produced	1,000	1,182,800	1,202,500	1,239,700	1,229,700	1,247,300	1,290,500	1,260,500	1,298,900	
Pounds Produced	1,000	5,914,000	5,892,300	6,198,500	6,148,500	6,236,500	6,452,500	6,302,500	6,494,500	
Price per Pound ^{2/}	Cents	38.5	40.5	37.0	33.0	39.0	30.0	34.0	44.0	
Value of Production	1,000 Dols	2,276,890	2,386,382	2,293,445	2,029,005	2,432,235	1,935,750	2,142,850	2,857,580	
	Unit	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
Mature Chickens, Hatching Egg Flocks										
Number Sold	1,000	10,385	11,797	14,163	14,363	14,187	12,598	12,208	11,427	
Pounds Sold	1,000	87,794	98,884	127,694	128,345	126,361	110,053	94,264	88,433	
Price per Pound	Cents	19.3	20.3	13.3	16.3	9.0	8.6	8.3	8.0	
Value of Sales	1,000 Dols	16,911	20,078	16,940	20,898	11,383	10,329	7,713	8,013	
	Unit	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	
Mature Chickens, Table Egg Flocks										
Number Sold	1,000	5,115	5,225	7,107	8,074	5,443	4,349	5,749	4,280	
Pounds Sold	1,000	19,156	20,270	27,577	37,689	20,864	17,050	18,865	13,663	
Price per Pound	Cents	1.0	0.9	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	
Value of Sales	1,000 Dols	201	178	140	188	104	93	93	155	

^{1/} The production year begins Dec 1 previous year and ends Nov 30 current year. 2/ Live weight equivalent price.

EGGS--PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION, GEORGIA 1997-2004^{1/2/}

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	Unit	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
	Table Eggs								
Average Number Layers	1,000	11,188	11,818	11,563	11,728	11,596	11,052	11,225	11,269
Eggs per Layer	Number	260	258	259	258	258	258	267	266
Eggs Produced	Millions	2,908	3,045	2,997	3,022	2,991	2,853	2,998	3,002
Price per Dozen	Cents	59.2	52.5	42.8	42.7	42.6	38.6	55.9	55.8
Value of Production	1,000 Dols	143,461	133,289	106,912	107,562	106,186	91,798	139,657	139,593
	Unit	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
					Hatchin	g Eggs			
Average Number Layers	1,000	8,683	9,217	9,498	9,088	9,398	9,422	9,217	9,046
Eggs per Layer	Number	226	226	229	231	223	224	222	225
Eggs Produced									
Table	Millions	137	146	153	147	147	148	143	143
Hatching	Millions	1,822	1,935	2,026	1,959	1,948	1,966	1,906	1,893
Total	Millions	1,959	2,081	2,179	2,106	2,095	2,114	2,049	2,036
Price per Dozen									
Table	Cents	59.2	52.5	42.8	42.7	42.6	38.6	55.9	55.8
Hatching	Cents	137.5	136.3	158.1	158.1	158.0	158.4	157.1	157.2
Value of Production									
Table	1,000 Dols	6,759	6,390	5,424	5,244	5,222	4,762	6,661	6,650
Hatching	1,000 Dols	208,721	236,425	267,003	258,025	256,665	259,505	249,451	247,980
Total	1,000 Dols	215,480	242,815	272,457	263,269	261,887	264,267	256,112	254,630
	Unit	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
					Total	Eggs			
Average Number Layers	1,000	19,869	21,035	21,059	20,816	20,994	20,473	20,442	20,323
Eggs per Layer	Number	245	244	246	246	242	243	247	248
Eggs Produced									
Table	Millions	3,045	3,191	3,150	3,169	3,138	3,001	3,141	3,145
Hatching	Millions	1,822	1,935	2,026	1,959	1,948	1,966	1,906	1,893
Total	Millions	4,867	5,126	5,176	5,128	5,086	4,967	5,047	5,038
Price per Dozen									
Table	Cents	59.2	52.5	42.8	42.7	42.6	38.6	55.9	55.8
Hatching	Cents	137.5	136.3	158.1	158.1	158.0	158.4	157.1	157.2
Total	Cents	88.5	88.0	87.9	86.8	86.8	86.0	94.1	93.9
Value of Production									
Table	1,000 Dols	150,220	139,679	112,336	112,806	111,408	96,560	146,318	146,243
Hatching	1,000 Dols	208,721	236,425	267,003	258,025	256,665	259,505	249,451	247,980
Total	1,000 Dols	358,941	376,104	379,339	370,831	368,073	356,065	395,769	394,223

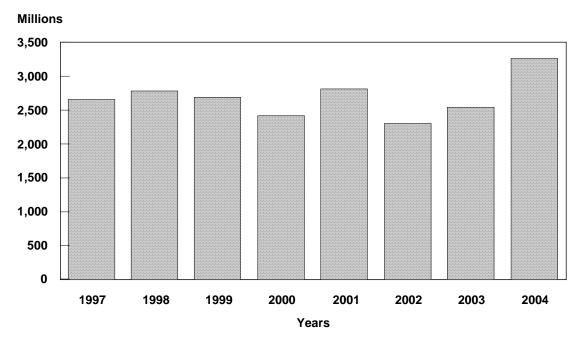
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PER CAPITA CONSUMPTION OF RED MEAT AND POULTRY--SELECTED YEARS, 2000-2004 $^{\prime\prime}$ UNITED STATES

		2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Red Meat, Retail Weight Ba	ısis					
Beef	Pounds	67.7	66.2	67.6	64.9	66.1
Pork	Pounds	51.2	50.2	51.5	51.8	51.3
Lamb	Pounds	1.1	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.1
Total ^{2/}	Pounds	120.0	117.5	120.3	117.9	118.5
Eggs						
Total ^{2/}	Number	258.2	252.7	255.5	254.7	257.2
Chickens						
Commercial Broilers ^{3/}	Pounds	75.5	76.6	80.5	81.6	84.3
Turkey ^{4/}	Pounds	17.4	17.5	17.7	17.4	17.1
Total ^{2/4/}	Pounds	92.9	94.1	98.2	99.0	101.4

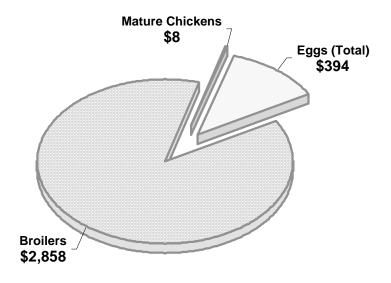
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POULTRY Value of Production Georgia, 1997 - 2004 1/



1/ Includes broilers, mature chickens, turkeys, and eggs for 1997. Turkeys discontinued in 1998.

Value of Production (Million Dollars) Broilers, Chickens, and Eggs, Georgia, 2004



Broilers 87.7% Eggs 12.1% Mature Chickens 0.2%